## **Public Notices**

Opportunity to Comment on Summit Ski Area Special Use Permit Boundary Extension Project, Mt. Hood National Forest: Public comment is invited on the Summit Special Use Permit Boundary Extension Project, which is located on the Zigzag Ranger District, Clackamas County, OR. The legal description for the project is: T3S, R8.5E, sec. 12, 13, and 24; and T3S, R9E, sec. 18; Willamette Meridian. The purpose of this project is to create permitted connectivity between the Summit Ski Area and the Timberline Ski Area in order to improve ski area operational efficiencies and form the basis from which to study the recreation and alternative transportation initiatives contained in the 2019 Summit Ski Area Master Development Plan. Therefore, the proposed action is to extend the Summit Special Use Permit boundary northward so that the Summit and Timberline ski areas share a contiguous boundary. Approximately 206 acres would be added to Summit's permit area. The Responsible Official is Richard Periman, Forest Supervisor. This comment period is intended to provide those interested in or affected by this proposal an opportunity to make their concerns known prior to a decision being made. Comments specific to this project should be within the scope of the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action, and must include supporting reasons for the Responsible Official to consider (36 CFR 218.2). Individuals or entities who have submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project during this opportunity for public comment are eligible to file an objection during the pre-decisional administrative review process (36 CFR 218). Comments must be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication. The publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit a comment. For more information on 36 CFR Part 218, see the Federal Register, Volume 78, No. 59, March 27, 2013. Electronic comments including attachments may be submitted electronically in word (.doc), rich text format (.rtf), text (.txt), hypertext markup language (.html), or portable document format (.pdf). For electronic comments, please send to: commentspacificnorthwest-mthood-zigzag@usda.gov Due to current concerns regarding the Covid-19 pandemic, I would like to strongly encourage you to submit comments electronically. However, if this is not possible, then specific written comments may also be submitted via mail to the Ziqzaq Ranger Station at 70220 E Highway 26, Zigzag, OR 97049. Because of Covid-19 and the Executive Order by Governor Brown, comments should not be hand-delivered at this time. Please contact Bill Westbrook, Zigzag District Ranger, at bill.westbrook@usda.gov or by phone at (503) 622-2001 for additional information. The U.S. Department of Agriculture is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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